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1. MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE HAS PRESENTED FOLLOWING TENTATIVE
SCHEDULE PROPOSAL FOR SECRETARY BERGLAND'S VISIT:

SATURDAY, MAY 20

1415 ARRIVAL AT BUDAPEST AIRPORT. PARTY MET BY
WELCOMING PARTY, PROBABLY INCLUDING MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE
ROMANY.

1445 DEPART AIRPORT FOR HOTEL AND RESIDENCE.

1600 EMBASSY BRIEFING.

1700 CALL ON MINISTER ROMANY.

2000 DINNER AT HUNGARIAN RESTAURANT, HOSTED BY
MINISTER ROMANY.

SUNDAY, MAY 21

0830 DEPART FROM RESIDENCE AND HOTEL

1000 ARRIVE BABOLNA STATE FARM FOR BRIEFING AND
TOUR (INCLUDING CPS ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER).

1230 LUNCH AT BABOLNA.

1400 DEPART BABOLNA.

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1500 ARRIVE OFFICES OF VASZAR COOPERATIVE FARM, PAPA,
FOR BRIEFING AND MEETING WITH OTHER FARM MANAGERS
FROM AREA.

1630 END MEETING, TOUR VASZAR.

1800 DEPART VASZAR.

1930 ARRIVE BUDAPEST. REMAINDER OF EVENING FREE.

MONDAY, MAY 22

0900 DEPART FROM RESIDENCE AND HOTEL.
1000 ARRIVE AGARD STATE FARM.
1230 DEPART AGARD.
1315 LUNCH IN BUDAPEST.
1500 MEETING WITH MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE BIRO.
1600 MEETING WITH DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER FERENC HAVASI.
1830 RECEPTION AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE.

TUESDAY, MAY 23

0715 DEPART RESIDENCE AND HOTEL
0815 ARRIVE AIRPORT. PRESS CONFERENCE AT AIRPORT.
0900 DEPART BUDAPEST AIRPORT.

2. AGATT THUROCZY SOKE TO MINISTER ROMANY APRIL 18 AT U.S. EXHIBIT AT AGROMASEXPO AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT EXPOSITION. ROMANY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT VISIT AND WILL BE COMPLETELY AVAILABLE DESPITE WEEKEND ARRIVAL. MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE STAFF IS ALSO BEING EXTREMELY COOPERATIVE.

3. TIMES FOR MONDAY MEETINGS WITH BIRO AND HAVASI STILL TENTATIVE. (VISIT WITH HAVASI BEING ARRANGED AT THE SUGGESTION OF MINISTER ROMANY.) MOA HAS NO OBJECTION TO LIST OF PARTICIPANTS DISCUSSED REFTELS FOR CALLS ON ROMANY AND BIRO. CALL ON HAVASI WOULD BE LIMITED TO SECRETARY BERGLAND, AMBASSADOR KAISER, AND MINISTER
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ROMANY.

4. MINISTER IS QUITE ANXIOUS TO HOST SATURDAY EVENING DINNER; PLEASE ADVISE IF THIS IS ACCEPTABLE.

5. SUGGESTED SCHEDULE IS QUITE FULL. EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT MONDAY VISIT TO AGARD WOULD BE BEST EVENT TO ELIMINATE IF SECRETARY PREFERS LESS CROWDED ITINERARY. PLEASE ADVISE.

6. MOA PROTOCOL HAS SUGGESTED TWO-DAY PROGRAM FOR WIVES: SUNDAY, MAY 21: EITHER ALL-DAY VISIT TO THE "DANUBE BEND" OR ALL-DAY VISIT TO EGER, GYONGOS AND THE MATRA MOUNTAINS. THE DANUBE BEND IS AN ATTRACTIVE HILLY AREA, INCLUDING THE PICTURESQUE VILLAGES OF SZENTENDRE AND VISEGRAD (WHICH HAS RUINS OF THE PALACE OF THE 15TH CENTURY KING MATTHEW). THE EGER AREA IS FAMOUS FOR FINE WINES; TRADITIONAL HANDICRAFTS CAN BE SEEN AT GYONGOS. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS EGER, WHICH IS A BIT OFF THE STANDARD TOURIST TRACT. MONDAY, MAY 22 WOULD BE SPENT IN BUDAPEST, WITH VISITS TO THE SCENIC BUDA FORTRESS AREA, THE FORTRESS MUSEUM, THE FINE ARTS MUSEUM, AND SHOPPING IN DOWNTOWN PEST. THE MOA COULD ALSO ARRANGE A FASHION

SHOW IF DESIRED, AND MRS. ROMANY MAY MAKE ADDITIONAL
SUGGESTIONS. IF THE WIVES PREFER TO ACCOMPANY THE
MAIN GROUP ON THE SUNDAY FARM VISITS, THEY COULD EITHER
FOLLOW THE MONDAY PROGRAM OUTLINED ABOVE OR COMBINE A
HALF-DAY VISIT TO THE DANUBE BEND WITH A SHORTENED
PROGRAM IN BUDAPEST. PLEASE ADVISE.
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